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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Attention: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The claims election and remarks that are presented herein are in response to Examiner Fletcher's office communication having a mailing date of May 12, 2008 ("the Restriction Requirement") for the above-identified patent application ("the application"). The Restriction Requirement involved a restriction and/or election requirement in connection with claims 1-82 of the application.

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First, Applicants want to thank Examiner Fletcher for mailing to them another Restriction Requirement having a new mailing date, and for faxing a copy of the former Restriction Requirement to Applicants' undersigned attorney for review and consideration. The examiner's efforts and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

In the Restriction Requirement, the examiner required a restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-39 and 82, drawn to a composition, classified in class 106, subclass 15.05+;
- II. Claims 40-77, drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 402;
- III. Claims 78-81, drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 402.

The examiner stated (pages 2-3) that the inventions are independent or distinct, each from the other, because: (i) inventions I, II and III are related as product and process of use, the composition can be used to practice a different method, and the method can be practiced with a different composition; (ii) inventions II and III are unrelated because they are not disclosed as capable of use together, and have different modes of operation because the method of claim 78 requires elements that the method of claim 40 does not; and (iii) there would be a serious search and examination burden if restriction were not required.

In response to this Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-39 and 82. Such an election does not change the inventorship with respect to the elected invention. Thus, Applicants will not be amending inventorship under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b).

In accordance with the examiner's statements in the Restriction Requirement (page 4), Applicants hereby request that any process claims that may be withdrawn by the examiner as a result of the Restriction Requirement and election of claims for prosecution be considered for rejoinder.

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